



Our Reference Number: FOI2019100

Right To Know
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14 March, 2019

Subject: FOI Request

Dear Sir,

I refer to the request which you have made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 for records held by this Department as follows:

The list of third parties which currently have access to the NVDF data.

I have made a final decision to grant your request on 14th March 2019. The purpose of this letter is to explain that decision. This explanation has the following parts:

1. A schedule of all the records covered by your request;
2. Details of records to which access is granted, and
3. A statement of how you can appeal this decision should you wish to do so.

1. Schedule of records

A schedule is attached at the end of this letter. It shows the details requested that the Department was able to provide in response for.

2. Records granted

All records were granted.

3. Right of Appeal

You may apply for review of this decision. Please note that a fee of €30, (€10 for medical card holders & dependants) applies for such an application and is payable to the Department, at the Freedom of Information Unit, Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport, Leeson Lane, Dublin 2. Payment may be made by cheque or postal order, or electronically, for which latter method details can be provided upon request. You should make such an application within 4 weeks from the date of this notification; however, the making of a late application may be permitted in appropriate circumstances. A week is defined in the Act to mean 5 consecutive week-days, excluding Saturdays and public holidays; (Sundays are also excluded, as they are not week-days). Such a review involves



a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of the staff of the Department.

I can be contacted by telephone on number 061-365099 to answer any questions you may have and to assist you generally in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Matt O'Connor". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a horizontal line drawn underneath it.

Matt O'Connor
Higher Executive Officer
Driver and Vehicle Computer Services Division



FOI Application

FOI/2019100 - Reply to Request above.

The list of third parties who currently have access to the NVDF data. The table below contains the list of third parties.

Recipient of Data	Purpose for sharing the Data	Legislative Basis
A Company formed under the companies acts pursuant to section 7 of the harbours act 1996 (No. 11 of 1996)	Identifying the registered owner of vehicles in connection with alleged offences contravening any provision concerning a vehicle contained in bye-laws made under section 42 (as amended by section 58 © of the Maritime Safety Act 2005 (No. 11 of 2005)) of the Harbours Act 1996	National Vehicle and Driver File (Access) (No.2) Regulations 2015 (S.I.No.287 of 2015)
An authorised officer in relation to a state Airport	Identifying registered owners of vehicles in connection with - Offences for alleged contraventions of bye-laws.	National Vehicle and Driver File (Access) (No.2) Regulations 2015 (S.I.No.287 of 2015)
Health and Safety authority	Assisting with implementing health and safety legislation	National Vehicle and Driver File (Access) (No.2) Regulations 2015 (S.I.No.287 of 2015)
Local Authorities	Traffic regulations under the local Authorities (Traffic Wardens) Act, 1975 (No. 14 of 1975)	National Vehicle and Driver File (Access) (No.2) Regulations 2015 (S.I.No.287 of 2015)
Motor Insurers' Bureau Ireland	The Motor Insurers' Bureau of Ireland was established in 1955 by an Agreement between the Government and the companies underwriting motor insurance in Ireland for the purpose of compensating victims of road traffic accidents caused by uninsured and unidentified vehicles.	National Vehicle and Driver File (Access) (No.2) Regulations 2015 (S.I.No.287 of 2015)



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Motor Manufacture's and Distributors	To assist in contacting owners of vehicles when a safety issue is identified by a manufacturer a recall campaign takes place	National Vehicle and Driver File (Access) (No.2) Regulations 2015 (S.I.No.287 of 2015)
Competition and Consumer Protection Commission	Assisting with investigations under the Consumer Protection Act, 2007 (No. 19 of 2007)	National Vehicle and Driver File (Access) (No.2) Regulations 2015 (S.I.No.287 of 2015)
Insolvency Service Ireland	Functions of the Official Assignee in Bankruptcy under the Bankruptcy Act 1988 (No. 27 of 1998) and the Personal Insolvency Act 2012 (No 44 of 2012)	National Vehicle and Driver File (Access) (No.2) Regulations 2015 (S.I.No.287 of 2015)
Personal Injuries Assessment Board	The Personal Injuries Assessment Board (PIAB) is Ireland's independent state body which assesses personal injury compensation	Personal Injuries Assessment Board Act 2003 Section 26
Road Transport Operator Licensing	Examine applications, process and issue licences to road haulage operators and monitor these operators to ensure they continue to meet the legislative requirements	Section 12 of Road Transport Act 2011, The establishment of the register of operators is set out in Section 12 of Road Transport Act 2011, previously in section 10 of Road Transport Act 1986.
Tribunals of Enquiry	Assisting Tribunal of inquiry set up pursuant to the Tribunal of Inquiry (Evidence) Acts 1921 to 1998	National Vehicle and Driver File (Access) (No.2) Regulations 2015 (S.I.No.287 of 2015)
Motor Taxation Offices	Motor Tax Application for the purpose of collecting Motor Tax and processing change of Ownerships and other services around Vehic changes	Finance Act 1993 (No.13 of 1993), Section 60 (3)
National Transport Authority	Assisting in the execution of the regulatory framework for the control and operation of small public service vehicles and their drivers under the Taxi Regulation Act 2003 (No. 25 of 2003).	National Vehicle and Driver File (Access) (No.2) Regulations 2015 (S.I.No.287 of 2015)



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An Garda Siochana - agents of AGS, An Post, Gosafe	PULSE interface – AGS provides an electronic data file of Penalty Point offences to update the NVDF and assist the administration of the Driver Penalty Points under the Road Traffic Act 2002. An Post Validation of Particulars relating to holders of driving licences for An Garda Siochana Fixed Charges Processing System (FCPS) and the administration of Driver Penalty Points under the Road Traffic Act 2002 (No.12 of 2002)	Finance Act 1993 (No.13 of 1993), Section 60 (3). Road Traffic Act 2010 Section 49
The Courts Services	TCS provides an electronic data file of Penalty Point offences to update the NVDF under the Road Traffic Act 2002 (No.12 of 2002) details of persons in connection with offences under the Road Traffic Acts 1961 to 2014.	National Vehicle and Driver File (Access) (No.2) Regulations 2015 (S.I.No.287 of 2015)
Road Safety Authority and persons named in an agreement entered into under subsection (1) of section 5 of the Road Safety Authority Act 2006 (No. 14 of 2006)	Assisting with the carrying out of functions under section 4 (as amended by section 49 of the Road Safety Authority (Commercial Vehicle Roadworthiness) Act 2012 (No. 16 of 2012)) of the Road Safety Authority Act 2006. Assisting with the administration and operations of the COVIS, NCT, Tachograph, Penalty Points and the Driving Testing systems.	National Vehicle and Driver File (Access) (No.2) Regulations 2015 (S.I.No.287 of 2015)
Commercial Entities: Cartell T/A Auto Records LTD, Benchmark LTD, Verisk Insurance Solutions LTD, Hire Purchase Information, SIMI, Dondeal	Supply non-personal vehicle data under agreement to a number of recipients who provide commercial services around vehicle identity checks to the general public.	National Vehicle and Driver File (Access) (No.2) Regulations 2015 (S.I.No.287 of 2015)
Department of Regional Development of Northern Ireland	Controlling fraud and abuse of social welfare code	Finance Act 1993 (No.13 of 1993), Section 60 (3)



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Revenue Commissioners	Carrying out its functions and assisting with investigations into fraud – New registration particulars (personal and non-personal) for the purpose of maintaining the National Vehicle and Driver File (NVDF) records.	Finance Act 1993 (No.13 of 1993), Section 60 (3)
Department of Public Expenditure and Reform	For the purpose of creating a single view of the Public Service Identity (PSI) across the public Service	Finance Act 1993 (No.13 of 1993), Section 60 (3)
Axa	Details of Driver Penalty Points for the purpose of Road Safety	RTA.2014.5(1)
Irish Insurance Federation	Details of Driver Penalty Points for the purpose of Road Safety	RTA.2014.5(1)
Central Statistics Office	Compiling of National Statistical Data	Finance Act 1993 (No.13 of 1993), Section 60 (3)
Sustainable Energy Ireland Ltd	For the purpose of paying Electric grants to owners of electric vehicles and providing reports as requested on electric vehicles.	Finance Act 1993 (No.13 of 1993), Section 60 (3)
European Car and Driving Licence Information System (EUCARIS)	Sharing Data within the EU to comply with EU Directives	RTA1961.22(4)
PRUM	Decisions 2008/615/JHA and 2008/616/JHA (the Prüm Decisions) provide for the exchange of Vehicle Registration Data (VRD) between Member States, for law enforcement purposes.	The Irish legislation giving effect to the Decisions in relation to VRD is the Vehicle Registration Data (Automated Searching and Exchange) Act 2018
Office of the Provost Marshal for the Military Police of the Defence Forces	Assisting with the acquisition of data relating to a motor vehicle necessary for the exercise of functions under section 171 of the Defence Act 1954 (No. 18 of 1954) in respect of investigations connected with a contravention of any provision of that Act.	National Vehicle and Driver File (Access) (No.2) Regulations 2015 (S.I.No.287 of 2015)
Communicator Communications LTD	Sending out email reminders for Motor Tax	Data Processor for the Department agreement covered under contract



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Department of Social Protection	Investigation Social Welfare Fraud	Section 60 (3) (a) Finance Act 1993.
Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII)	TII is responsible for overseeing the procurement and implementation of new tolling arrangements, and for monitoring and managing existing tolling arrangements on the national road network.	Roads Act 2007 Section 64A (1)